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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PLOS, NZ

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE NZ-USSR AGREEMENT ON FISHING FACILITIES

1. DURING ANZUS COUNCIL MEETINGS IN WELLINGTON NEW ZEALANDERS MENTIONED MOSCOW'S INTEREST IN AGREEMENT WITH GNZ WHICH WOULD PROVIDE SOVIETS WITH ON-SHORE FACILITIES FOR THEIR FISHING VESSELS IN SOUTH PACIFIC. REQUEST EMBASSY MAKE LOW-KEY APPROACH TO GNZ, NOTING THAT ISSUE HAD BEEN RAISED DURING ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING AND ASKING FOR CURRENT STATUS OF GNZ THINKING ON MATTER.

2. BEGIN FYI: AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER PEACOCK SUBSEQUENTLY WROTE TO SECRETARY EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER
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SUCH AGREEMENT (PEACOCK'S LETTER AND SECRETARY'S REPLY BEING SENT SEPTTEL) END FYI.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY MAKE LOW-KEY APPROACH TO GNZ, NOTING THAT ISSUE HAD BEEN RAISED DURING ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING AND ASKING FOR CURRENT STATUS OF GNZ THINKING ON MATTER. EMBASSY SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT REFER TO PEACOCK LETTER

ABOUT WHICH AUSTRALIANS HAVE EVIDENTLY NOT INFORMED GNZ.
IF ASKED ABOUT US VIEWS ON NZ-USSR AGREEMENT, EMBASSY
MAY REFER TO RESERVATIONS MENTIONED BY DEPUTY SECRETARY
CHRISTOPHER AT ANZUS MEETING. EMBASSY SHOULD IN ANY CASE
NOTE THAT USG STUDYING SOVIET FISHING ACTIVITIES IN
SOUTH PACIFIC AND WILL BE GLAD TO SHARE RESULT OF OUR
EXAMINATION WITH GNZ. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO PROPOSE IDEA
OF BROADER ANZUS STUDY WHICH COULD POOL INFORMATION
AVAILABLE TO THE GOVERNMENTS TO REACH CLEARER APPRECIATION
OF SITUATION. VANCE

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